

REMARKS

Claims 42-58 were previously pending in the application and stood rejected. Claims 42-58 have been canceled in this paper.

New claims 59-89 have been added in this paper.

Applicant is mindful of the objections and rejections that were pending against the previous claims under 35 U.S.C. §§ 101 and 102(e). Applicant respectfully submits that the new pending claims are directed to patentable subject matter under § 101. Applicant also respectfully submits that the pending claims are allowable under § 102(e) because the cited portions of the reference (U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2003/0105884 issued to Upton ("Upton")) do not anticipate Applicant's claims.

For example, Applicant's new claim 59 includes:

a plurality of application service interfaces configured to be executed on the one or more processors, each application service interface being configured to interface with a corresponding application among the plurality of applications; and

a plurality of common service interfaces configured to be executed on the one or more processors, each common service interface being configured to communicate with the process and with two or more of the application service interfaces that interface with a corresponding type of application among the plurality of types of applications.

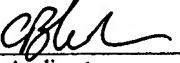
Applicant respectfully submits that at least these limitations of claim 59 are not disclosed or fairly suggested by Upton. At least for this reason, independent claim 59 and all claims

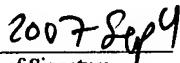
dependent therefrom are allowable under § 102(e). At least for similar reasons, independent claims 69, 79, and 89 and all claims dependent therefrom are also allowable under § 102(e).

CONCLUSION

Applicant submits that all claims are now in condition for allowance, and an early notice to that effect is earnestly solicited. Nonetheless, should any issues remain that might be subject to resolution through a telephonic interview, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned.

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